



— State of —
North Dakota
Office of the Governor
John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
FARMERS UNION YOUTH WEEK
MAY 2-6, 2005

WHEREAS, the youth of our state are our most valuable resource; and

WHEREAS, enhancing leadership abilities in our young people will build visionary leaders for North Dakota's future; and

WHEREAS, educating young people on the role of cooperatives is important to growing our state's agriculture industry and overall economy; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota Farmers Union is celebrating 75 years of its youth program which strives to develop visionary rural leaders through interactive programs; and

WHEREAS, Farmers Union members have developed cooperative and community leaders through education classes and a statewide summer camping program that involves more than 2,400 youth each year; and

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 2-6, 2005, **FARMERS UNION YOUTH WEEK** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/
John Hoeven
Governor

Attest:

/s/
Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State